

**PATENT**  
5181-63600/P4992

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.:	09/659,915	§	Examiner:	Fisher, Michael J.
Filed:	September 11, 2000	§	Group/Art Unit:	3629
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Title:	Automatic Lease Renewal	§		
	with Message Gates in a	§		
	Distributed Computing	§		
	Environment			

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY**

**Mail Stop Issue Fee**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency of January 5, 2007, attached please find a Replacement Drawing sheet for Figure 10.

No fees are believed to be necessary. However, if any fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-63600/RCK.

Respectfully submitted,

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